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SUBJECT: TURKEY ENCOURAGES PAKISTAN TO CONTRIBUTE TO IRAQ  
STABILIZATION FORCE

REF: A. ANKARA 5146

[1](#)B. STATE 236770

(U) Classified by Ambassador Eric Edelman, reasons 1.5, b/d.

[1](#)1. (C) PolMilOff delivered ref B info to MFA Iraq deskoff  
Haldun Tekneci August 15. Tekneci thanked PolMilOff but made  
no comment on the information.

[1](#)2. (C) During an introductory call August 18, MFA U/S Ziyal  
gave the Ambassador a brief readout of Pakistani FonSec  
Khokhar's meetings in Ankara. According to Ziyal, the GOT  
encouraged Pakistan to contribute to the stabilization force,  
noting that it was important to have Muslim countries  
involved. The GOT also offered to "help" Pakistan, but Ziyal  
did not specify what type of assistance Turkey was prepared  
to offer. Ziyal said Pakistan had not decided whether to  
participate in the force, but he inferred from his Pakistani  
counterpart that Islamabad was hesitant because it perceived  
such a deployment as potentially injurious to the  
conventional balance of forces between India and Pakistan.  
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